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RESEARCH LABORATORIES FOR AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) and other Research Centres in the country, State-wise;

(b) the details of agricultural produces in which research work is being done in those centres;

(c) whether there is a proposal to open more such Research Centres in the country in view of increased requirement of food due to growing population; and

(d) if so, the details thereof, location-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) There are 95 ICAR Institutes/Centres including 4 Deemed to be Universities, 5 National Bureaus, 43 National Institutes, 1 National Academy for Agricultural Research Management, 12 Project Directorates and 30 National Research Centres, located in different States of the country. Besides, there are 42 State Agricultural Universities catering to the specific needs of the State. The state-wise list is at Annexure-I & II.

(b) These centres are working on food crops, forage crops, oilseeds, pulses, commercial crops, jute & allied fibres; horticultural crops including fruit crops, vegetable crops, tuber crops, floriculture, plantation crops, medicinal & aromatic plants, spices; livestock and poultry; fisheries and post-harvest processing.

(c) Yes, Sir. Based on the research needs and emerging researchable issues, as of now the Department has proposed to seed in principle approval of the Planning Commission for setting up of following three new institutes:-

(i) National Institute for Biotic Stress Management
(ii) National Institute for Abiotic Stress Management
(iii) National Institute of Agricultural Biotechnology

(d) Once the approval is granted by the Planning Commission, Expenditure Finance Committee Memoranda will be formulated and moved as per laid down procedure of Ministry of Finance.